

### § 3.3.3 The "Frequent Extension" Lemma

We now prove another theorem on the existence of imbedding extensions, showing that under certain conditions  $\mathbb{D}$  is "very frequently" well founded.

Let  $\alpha > \omega_1$  be regular. Let  $\delta > \alpha$ ,  $\bar{\delta} = \alpha$

Let  $P = J_\delta^A$  be acceptable. Let

$\langle \alpha_\xi \mid \xi \leq \alpha \rangle$  be normal i.t.  $\alpha_\alpha = \alpha$ .

Let  $P_\xi = J_{\delta_\xi}^{A_\xi}$  where  $P_\alpha = P$  and

$\alpha_\xi < \delta_\xi < \alpha$  for  $\xi < \alpha$ . Let

commuting maps  $\sigma_{\xi\zeta}$  ( $\xi \leq \zeta \leq \alpha$ )

be given i.t.

$$(a) \sigma_{\xi\zeta} : P_\xi \rightarrow_{\Sigma_\alpha} P_\zeta$$

$$(b) \alpha_\xi = \text{crit}(\sigma_{\xi\zeta}) \quad (\xi < \zeta)$$

$$(c) P_\lambda = \bigcup_{\xi < \lambda} \text{rng}(\sigma_{\xi\lambda}) \text{ for limit } \lambda$$

Let  $S \subset \alpha$  be a stationary set of points of cofinality  $> \omega$ .

For  $\xi \in S$  let  $\alpha_\xi < \nu_\xi \leq \delta_\xi$  and

$$\text{set: } \nu_\xi^* = \sup_{\xi < \alpha} \sigma_{\xi\alpha}^{-1} \nu_\xi, \quad \sigma_\xi^- = \sigma_{\xi\alpha}^{-1} \upharpoonright \nu_\xi^*$$

Set:  $Q_{\bar{3}} = J_{\kappa_{\bar{3}}}^{A_{\bar{3}}}$ ,  $Q_{\bar{3}}^* = J_{\kappa_{\bar{3}}^*}^{A_{\bar{3}}}$ ,

Then  $\sigma_{\bar{3}} : Q_{\bar{3}} \rightarrow \sum_c Q_{\bar{3}}^*$  cofinally.

Suppose moreover that:

(d)  $Q_{\bar{3}}$  has a largest cardinal  $\beta_{\bar{3}}$ ,  
and that for each  $\bar{3} \in S$  we have  
chosen a mouse  $M_{\bar{3}}$  which "end  
extends"  $Q_{\bar{3}}$  - i.e.,

(e)  $Q_{\bar{3}} = J_{\kappa_{\bar{3}}}^E$  where  $M_{\bar{3}} = \langle J_{\delta}^E, F \rangle$

(f)  $\kappa_{\bar{3}} = \text{On} \cap M_{\bar{3}}$  or  $\kappa_{\bar{3}}$  is regular in  $M_{\bar{3}}$ .

We also assume:

(g)  $M_{\bar{3}}$  is bound to  $Q_{\bar{3}}$  (i.e.,

if  $\underset{M_{\bar{3}}}{\omega\rho^{n+1}} < \kappa_{\bar{3}} \leq \underset{M_{\bar{3}}}{\omega\rho^n}$ , then  $M_{\bar{3}}$  is

the closure of some  $\kappa_{\bar{3}} \cup \{\alpha\}$  under  
good  $\sum_1^{cm}$  functions),

For each  $\bar{3} \in S$  we form  $\mathbb{D}_{\bar{3}}$  in the  
attempt to produce a canonical  
extension of  $\sigma_{\bar{3}} : Q_{\bar{3}} \rightarrow Q_{\bar{3}}^*$  wrt  $M_{\bar{3}}$ .

Lemma 1 There is a club  $C \subset \kappa$  s.t.  
 $\mathbb{D}_\zeta$  is well founded for  $\zeta \in C \cap S$ .

The proof is rather lengthy and will require some sublemmas.  
 Suppose not. Let  $\delta$  be minimal for counterexample. Let  $S' \subset S$  be stationary s.t.  $\mathbb{D}_\zeta$  is not well founded for  $\zeta \in S'$ . Let  $\nu_\zeta$  be chosen minimally for the existence of  $M_\zeta$  with this property and let  $M_\zeta$  be  $\leq^*$ -minimal (in the sense of §2.4) for this property at  $\nu_\zeta$ .

Sublemma 1.1 Let  $\zeta \in S'$ . Let  $Z \subset M_\zeta$  be countable. There is a sequence  $g_i \in \prod_{i < \omega} \mathbb{A}_{\zeta, M_\zeta}$  s.t.,

letting  $X = \bigcup_i \text{rng}(g_i)$ ;

(a)  $Z \subset X$

(b)  $\nu_\zeta \in X + \nu_\zeta \in X$  if  $\nu_\zeta \in M_\zeta$

(c) There is  $\pi: N \xrightarrow{\sim} \langle X, \in, E \cap X, F \cap X \rangle$  s.t.  $N$  is a mouse and

$\pi: N \xrightarrow{\Sigma^*} M_\zeta$  (where  $M_\zeta = \langle J_{\delta^*}^E, F \rangle$ )

pf. of Sublemma 1.1

First select  $\langle a_i, f_i \rangle$  ( $i < \omega$ ) which witness the failure of well foundedness in  $\mathbb{D}_3$  - i.e.

$$\langle a_{i+1}, f_{i+1} \rangle \in \langle a_i, f_i \rangle \text{ in } \mathbb{D}_3.$$

Pick  $p_i \in M_3$  s.t. either  $f_i = p_i \in M_3$  or  $f_i$  is a good  $\Sigma_1^{cm}$  ( $M_3$ ) function in the parameter  $p_i$  (by a functionally absolute definition), where  $\nu_3 \leq \omega_{M_3}^{nt}$ .

Assume (w.l.o.g.) that

$$\alpha_3, \beta_3, \rho_{M_3}, p_i \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ (} i < \omega \text{) and}$$

$$\nu_3 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ if } \nu_3 \in M_3.$$

Assume (w.l.o.g.):  $\alpha_{\mathbb{Z}}, \nu_{\mathbb{Z}}, P_{M_{\mathbb{Z}}}, P_i \in \mathbb{Z} (i < \omega)$

We proceed by cases as follows:

Case 1  $\nu_{\mathbb{Z}} \leq \omega_{P_{M_{\mathbb{Z}}}}$  for all  $n$ .

Let  $\langle F_i | i < \omega \rangle$  enumerate the faces which, for some  $n$ , are  $\sum_1^{(n)} (M_{\mathbb{Z}})$  to  $H^n$  (lightface), with  $\omega$  many repetitions of each face. Let  $\langle z_i \rangle$  enumerate  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,

Define  $g_i$  by induction as follows:

$$g_{z_i} = \{ \langle z_i, 0 \rangle \}$$

$g_{z_{i+1}}$  is defined by:

$$g_{z_{i+1}}(\langle \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z} \rangle) \simeq F_{(i)_0} (g_{(i)_1}(\mathbb{Z}), g_{(i)_2}(\mathbb{Z}))$$

where  $i = \langle (i)_0, (i)_1, (i)_2 \rangle$ ,

(Then  $\text{dom}(g_{z_{i+1}})$  is a bounded subset of  $\nu_{\mathbb{Z}}$ )

$$g_{z_{i+2}} = \text{id} \upharpoonright \tau_i$$

where  $\tau_i = \text{the least } \tau_i > \sup_{h < i} \tau_h \text{ s.t.}$

s.t.  $\bigcup_{h=1}^i \text{rang}(g_h) \cup \text{dom}(g_h) \subset \bar{v}_i$  for  $h \leq i$ .

Note that  $\text{dom}(g_i)$  is a bounded subset of  $v_i$  for  $i < \omega$ .

Let  $X = \bigcup_i \text{rang}(g_i)$ . Then

(1)  $X \cap v_\omega = \bigcup_i \text{dom}(g_i) = \bigcup_i \bar{v}_i \subseteq v_\omega$

Set  $\bar{v} = X \cap v_\omega$ .

(2)  $F \circ X^n \subset X$  for all good  $\Sigma^*(M_\omega)$ -functions.

Set:  $\tilde{X} = \langle X, \epsilon, E^{M_\omega} \cap X, E_{\delta}^{M_\omega} \cap X \rangle$ .

Then:

(3)  $\tilde{X} \prec_{\Sigma^* M_\omega} x^n$ , where  $x^n$  is

taken as ranging over  $X \cap H_{M_\omega}^n$  in  $\tilde{X}$ .

Let  $\pi: N \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  where  $N = \langle J_{\delta}^{\bar{E}}, \bar{E}_{\delta} \rangle$  is transitive. Then  $\bar{v} \approx \beta_\omega + N$  and

(4)  $\pi \upharpoonright \bar{v} = \text{id}$  and  $\pi(\bar{v}) = v_\omega$  if  $v \in M_\omega$

Set:  $H_n = \pi^{-1}(X \cap H_{M_\omega}^n)$ ,

Then  $H_n = |J_{\rho^n}^{\bar{E}}|$ , where

$\omega \rho^n = 0_n \cap H_n$ . Clearly:

(5)  $\pi : N \rightarrow \sum^* M_3$ , if  $x^n$  is taken as ranging over  $H_n$  in  $N$ ,

Then to prove that  $\pi$  is really  $\Sigma^*$ -preserving we must show:

Claim  $\rho^n = \rho_N^n$  ( $1 \leq n < \omega$ )

We use induction on  $n$

( $\leq$ ) Let  $\bar{A}$  be  $\sum_1^{(n-1)} (N)$ ,

$y^n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bar{A} \cap x^n$  is a  $\sum_0^{(n)} (N)$  fun.

Since  $\sigma : N \rightarrow \sum^* M_3$  under the above interpretation, we conclude that  $x \cap \bar{A} \in H_n$  for  $x \in H_n$ .

( $\geq$ ) Let  $p = p_{M_3}$ ,  $\bar{p} = \pi^{-1}(p)$

Let  $\bar{A}$  be  $\sum_1^{(n-1)} (N)$  in  $\bar{p}$  by the same def. as  $A$  in  $p$  over  $M_3$ .

Then  $\bar{A} \in H_n$ . Claim  $\bar{A} \notin N$ .

Suppose not. Let  $\bar{A} = x$ . Then

$\bar{A} = x \cap H_n$  is a  $\Pi_1^{(n)}(N)$  statement in  $x, \bar{p}$ . Hence the same statement holds in  $M_3$  in  $\pi(x), p$ .

Hence  $A = \pi(x) \cap H_{M_3}^n \in M_3$ .

Contra!

QED (Claim)

Thus  $\pi : N \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} M_\beta$  & hence  $N$  is a mouse.

Set  $\bar{Q} = J_{\bar{V}}^A$ ,  $\bar{V}^* = \sup \sigma_\beta \text{ " } \bar{V}$ ,  $\bar{Q}^* = J_{\bar{V}^*}^A$ ;

$\bar{\sigma}_\beta = \sigma_\beta \upharpoonright \bar{Q}$ . Then

(5)  $\bar{\sigma} : \bar{Q} \rightarrow_{\Sigma_0} \bar{Q}^*$  cofinally and

$\bar{V}$  is regular in  $N$ , where

$$\bar{Q} = J_{\bar{V}}^{E^N}$$

Hence we can form  $\bar{II} = \text{II}_{\bar{\sigma}, \bar{Q}, N}$ .

Let  $\bar{f}_i$  be defined in  $N$  from

$\bar{p}_i = \pi^{-1}(p_i)$  as  $f_i$  was defined

in  $M_\beta$  from  $p_i$ . Then

(6)  $\pi(\bar{f}_i) = f_i$

(using obvious notation).

(7)  $\{\langle u, \sigma \rangle \mid \bar{f}_{i+1}(u) \in \bar{f}_i(u)\} = \{\langle u, \sigma \rangle \mid f_{i+1}(u) \in f_i(u)\}$ .

But then  $\bar{II}$  is not well founded

By the minimal choice of  $\nu_\beta$

it follows that:

(8)  $\bar{V} = \nu_\beta$ .

The remaining verifications are

trivial. QED (Case 1)



Case 2  $\omega p^1_{M_3} < \nu_3$

Let  $\forall y \varphi_i(y, x, z)$  ( $i < \omega$ ) enumerate the  $\Sigma_0$  formulas w. two free vbls.

Define  $g_i, \tau_i < \nu_3, \gamma_i < \text{On} \cap M_3$  by induction on  $i$ :

$$g_{3i} = \{ \langle z_i, 0 \rangle \}$$

$g_{3i+1}(\langle \bar{z}, s \rangle) \approx$  the  $\langle M_3 - \text{least } y \in S_{\gamma_i}^{EM_3} \text{ s.t.}$

$$\varphi_{(i)_0}(y, g_{(i)_1}(\bar{z}), g_{(i)_2}(s))$$

where  $\gamma_i = \text{least } \gamma > \sup_{h < i} \gamma_h$

s.t.  $z_i \in S_{\gamma}^E$  and  $E \cap S_{\gamma_h}^E \in S_{\gamma}^E$

$F \cap S_{\gamma_h}^E \in S_{\gamma}^E$  ( $h < i$ ), where

$$M_3 = \langle J_{\sigma}^E, F \rangle.$$

$g_{3i+2} = \text{id} \upharpoonright \tau_i$ ;  $\tau_i = \text{least } \tau > \sup_{h < i} \tau_h$

s.t.  $\text{dom}(g_h) \subset \tau$  and

$\mathbb{Q} \cap \text{rng}(g_h) \subset J_{\tau}^E$  for  $h < i$ .

Set  $\omega_\gamma = \sup_i p_i \gamma_i$ . Then

$\bar{M} = \langle J_\gamma^E, F \cap J_\gamma^E \rangle$  is a  $J$ -model

$\dagger$ , in fact, a premouse. Hence

$\bar{M} = M_\beta \upharpoonright \gamma$  by the initial segment property. Hence  $\bar{M}$  is a mouse.

But  $f_i = p_i \in \bar{M}$  for  $i < \omega$ . Hence

$\mathbb{D}_{\sigma_3, \bar{M}}$  is not well founded.

Hence  $\bar{M} = M_\beta$  and  $\gamma = \delta$  by

the  $<_*$ -minimality of  $M_\beta$ .

Hence, letting  $X = \bigcup_i \text{rang}(g_i)$ :

(1)  $X \prec_{\Sigma_0} M_\beta$  cofinally

Let  $\pi: N \leftrightarrow X$ ,  $N$  trans.

Set  $\bar{v} = \sup_i p_i \bar{v}_i = \sup_i (p_i \cap \text{rang}(g_i))$   
 $= \bigcup_i \text{dom}(g_i)$ . Then

(2)  $\pi \upharpoonright \bar{v} = \text{id}$ ,  $\pi(\bar{v}) = \nu_\beta$ ,  $\nu > \omega_{M_\beta}^n$

Since  $H_{M_\beta}^n = J_{p_{M_\beta}}^E \in J_\gamma^E \subseteq N$ ,

we clearly have:

(3)  $\pi: N \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} M_\beta$ , interpretation  
 $x^n$  as ranging over  $H_{M_\beta}^n$ .

Just as in the previous case we then get:

$$(4) \rho_{M_3}^m = \rho_N^m \quad (m < \omega).$$

Hence  $\pi: N \rightarrow \sum^* M_3$  and  $N$

is a mouse. But, letting

$$\pi(\bar{f}_i) = f_i \quad (i < \omega),$$

we have  $\{\langle u, v \rangle \mid \bar{f}_{i+1}(u) \in \bar{f}_i(v)\} =$

$$= \{\langle u, v \rangle \mid f_{i+1}(u) \in f_i(v)\} \neq$$

hence  $\bar{\mathbb{D}}$  is not well founded

where  $\bar{\mathbb{D}}$  is based on

$$\bar{\sigma}: J_{\bar{\nu}}^E \rightarrow J_{\bar{\nu}^*}^{E^*} \quad (\bar{\nu}^* = \sup \bar{\sigma}_\zeta \text{ " } \bar{\nu}$$

$\bar{\sigma} = \bar{\sigma}_\zeta \upharpoonright J_{\bar{\nu}}^E$ ), By the minim

choice of  $\nu_\zeta$  we conclude:

$$(5) \nu_\zeta = \bar{\nu}. \quad \text{QED (Case 2)}$$

Case 3 The above cases fail.

Then  $\omega p_{M_3}^{m+1} < \nu_3 \leq \omega p_{M_3}^m$  for an  $m > 0$ .

Let  $r \in M_3$  witness that  $M_3$  is bounded to  $\nu_3$ .

We combine the methods of the previous cases. Let  $\langle F_i \mid i < \omega \rangle$  enumerate the good  $\Sigma_1^{(n)}$  ( $M_3$ ) formulas of two variables for  $h < m$ , with  $\omega$  many repetitions of each.

Let  $\langle \forall y \varphi_i(y, x, z) \mid i < \omega \rangle$  enumerate the  $\Sigma_0^{(m)}$  formulas, again with  $\omega$  repetitions. Let the  $\Sigma_1$  Skolem function  $h$  be uniformly defined by:

$$y = h(i, x) \text{ iff } \forall z \psi(i, z, y, x)$$

where  $\psi$  is  $\Sigma_0$ . We define  $g_i$ ,  $\tau_i < \nu_3$ ,  $\gamma_i < \omega p_{M_3}^m$  by induction as follows:

$$g_{4i} = \{ \langle z_i, 0 \rangle \}$$

$$g_{4i+1}(\langle \bar{s}, \bar{s} \rangle) \approx F_{(i)_0} (g_{(i)_1}(\bar{s}), g_{(i)_2}(\bar{s}))$$

$$g_{4i+2}(\langle \bar{s}, \bar{s} \rangle) \approx \text{the } < M_3 \text{-least } y \in J_{\tau_i}^E$$

$$\text{s.t. } M_3 \models \varphi_i(y, g_{(i)_1}(\bar{s}), g_{(i)_2}(\bar{s})),$$

where  $i$

$\gamma_i =$  the least  $\gamma > \sup_{h < i} \gamma_h$  s.t.

(a)  $A_{M_3}^{m, \alpha} \wedge J_{\gamma_h}^E \in J_{\gamma}^E$  for  $h < i$

(b)  $\forall j \forall p < \beta_3 \forall z \in J_{\gamma}^E M_3 \models \Psi(j, z, \tau_h, \langle p \rangle)$   
for all  $h < i$

(c)  $\forall j \forall p < \beta_3 \forall z \in J_{\gamma}^E M_3 \models \Psi(j, z, \tau_h, \langle p \rangle)$

for  $h < i$ , where  $\tau_h \in J_{\gamma}^E$  is such that  $\gamma = \tau_h$  or  $\gamma = \tau_h$  is a good  $\sum_1^{(k)} \tau_h$  function in the parameter  $\alpha, \tau_h$  (by a func. absolute def.).

This is possible by our condition on  $\alpha$ .

$g_{4i+3} = \text{id} \upharpoonright \tau_i$ , where  $\tau_i =$  the least

$\tau > \sup_{h < i} \tau_h$  s.t.  $\text{dom}(g_h) \subset \tau$  and

$(\mathcal{A}_3 \cap \text{rng}(g_h)) \subset J_{\tau}^E$  for  $h < i$ .

Set  $\omega\rho^h = \text{On } \text{atl}_h \quad (h \leq m)$

(4)  $\rho^h = \rho_{\bar{N}}^h \quad (h \leq m)$

proof.

For  $h < m$  exactly as in Case 1.

$\rho^m \leq \rho_{\bar{N}}^m$ , since, letting  $\bar{A} =$

$= \bigcup_i \pi^{-1}(A_{M_3}^{m, r} \cap J_{\bar{z}_i}^E)$ , we have

$\langle H_m, \bar{A} \rangle$  is cofinal and

$\pi \upharpoonright H_m : \langle H_m, \bar{A} \rangle \rightarrow \sum_0 M_3^{m, r}$ ,

It follows easily that

$\bar{A} = A_{\bar{N}}^{m, \bar{r}} \cap H_m$ , where  $\pi(\bar{r}) = r$ .

Finally, we note that

$\bar{v} \in h_{\langle H_m, \bar{A} \rangle}(\beta_3)$ ,

where  $\bar{v} = \beta_3^{+\bar{N}}$ . Hence

$\rho_{\bar{N}}^m \leq \rho^m$ . QED (4)

The proof of (4) also shows:

(5)  $\rho_{\bar{N}}^{m+1} < \bar{v} \leq \rho_{\bar{N}}^m$  and

$\bar{N}$  is  $\bar{v}$ -clear (in the sense of § 3.3.2).

Then  $\langle H_m, \bar{A} \rangle$  is amenable and

$$\pi \upharpoonright H_m : \langle H_m, \bar{A} \rangle \xrightarrow{\Sigma_0} M_{\bar{J}}^{m, \bar{r}}.$$

It follows easily that  $\bar{A} = A_{\bar{N}}^{m, \bar{r}} \cap H_m$ , where  $\pi(\bar{r}) = r$ . This proves

$\rho^m \leq \rho_{\bar{N}}^m$ . But by construction,  $\bar{V} \upharpoonright h_{\langle H_m, \bar{A} \rangle}(\beta_{\bar{J}})$  is cofinal in  $\bar{V}$ .

Hence  $\bar{A} \notin \bar{N}$ , since  $\rho_{\bar{N}}^m \geq \rho^m \geq \bar{V}$ , and  $\bar{V} = \beta_{\bar{J}}^+ \bar{N}$ . Hence  $\rho_{\bar{N}}^m = \rho^m$ .

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The proof of (4) shows:

$$(5) \rho_{\bar{N}}^{m+1} < \bar{V} \leq \rho_{\bar{N}}^m \quad \text{and}$$

$\bar{N}$  is  $\bar{V}$ -closed (in the sense of § 3.3.2).

But if  $\pi(\bar{g}_i) = g_i$  ( $i < \omega$ ), then by our construction, for each  $\bar{g}_i$ ,

there is  $r_i \in h_{\bar{N}, m, \bar{r}}(\beta_{\bar{J}})$  s.t.

either  $\bar{g}_i = r_i$  or  $\bar{g}_i$  is a good  $\Sigma_1^{(n)}(\bar{N})$  function in  $r_i, \bar{r}$ . Hence:

(6)  $\bar{N}$  is bound to  $\bar{V}$  as witnessed by  $\bar{r}$ .

Now let  $\bar{Q} = \bigcup_{\gamma}^E \bar{Q}_\gamma$ ,  $Q = \bigcup_{\gamma}^E Q_\gamma$  where  
 $\bar{Q}_\gamma = \rho_{\bar{N}}^m$ ,  $\gamma = \sup \pi'' \bar{Q}_\gamma$ . Then

$$\pi \upharpoonright \bar{Q} : \bar{Q} \rightarrow_{\Sigma_0} Q \text{ cofinally.}$$

By the interpolation lemma there is  $\pi_0 : \bar{N} \rightarrow N$  canonically extending  $\pi \upharpoonright \bar{Q}$  w.t.  $\bar{N}$ . Since  $\bar{N}$  is bound to  $\omega\rho_{\bar{N}}^m$  as witnessed by  $\bar{\pi}$  (by (6)), we have:

$$(7) \pi_0 : \bar{N} \rightarrow_{\Sigma_0^{(m)}} N \text{ cofinally.}$$

Moreover there is a unique  $\pi_1$  w.t.

$$(8) \pi_1 : N \rightarrow_{\Sigma_0^{(m)}} M_3, \quad \pi_1 \circ \pi_0 = \pi,$$

By (8),  $\pi : N \rightarrow_{\Sigma_1^{(m-1)}} M_3$ , hence by §2.2 Lemma 2:

$$(9) N \text{ is iterable above } \omega\rho_N^m.$$

Straight forward use of the initial segment property gives:

$$(10) E_{\gamma}^N = E_{\gamma}^{M_3}.$$

Hence  $N, M_3$  are coiterable.

Let  $R$  be a common iterate of



of  $N, M_3$  and a simple iterate of one  
 If  $R$  is a non simple iterate of  $M_3$ ,  
 then  $N$  is a mouse and  $N <_* M_3$ ,  
 But by our construction

(11)  $\sigma_3 : Q_3 \rightarrow Q_3^*$  has no canonical  
 extension wrt.  $N$ ,

contradicting the  $<_*$ -minimality  
 of  $M_3$ . If  $R$  is a non simple  
 iterate of  $N$ , then, letting  
 $\pi_0 = \pi_0(\bar{\pi}) = \pi_1^{-1}(\pi)$ , we have:

$$A_N^{m, \pi} = A_{M_3}^{m, \pi} \wedge \bigcup_{\gamma} E \in N,$$

This is a contradiction, since  
 $\pi_0 \in \mathcal{P}_N^m$  by §3.3.2 Lemma 4,  
 Hence  $R$  is a simple iterate of both  
 $M_3$  and  $N$ , and is an iterate of  
 $N$  above  $\gamma = \omega \mathcal{P}_N^m$ . Hence  $\gamma = \omega \mathcal{P}_{M_3}^m$ .

Hence, since  $\pi = \pi_1 \pi_0$ :

(12)  $\pi : \bar{N} \rightarrow \sum_{\alpha < \omega} M_3$  cofinally

It follows just as in Case 2 that

(13)  $\pi : \bar{N} \rightarrow \sum_{\alpha < \omega} M_3$  and

$$H_{\bar{N}}^h = H_{M_3}^h \text{ for } h \geq m.$$

Then  $\bar{N}$  is a mouse. Obviously  $\sigma_{\bar{z}} \upharpoonright J_{\bar{z}}^E$  cannot be extended wrt.  $\bar{N}$ . Hence, as before,  $\bar{v} = v_{\bar{z}}$  by minimality.

QED (Sublemma 1.1)

Note that, by this analysis,  $cf(v_{\bar{z}}) = \omega$  for  $\bar{z} \in S'$ . Recall that we had defined  $i: Q_{\bar{z}} = J_{v_{\bar{z}}}^{A_{\bar{z}}}$  where  $P_{\bar{z}} = J_{\delta_{\bar{z}}}^{A_{\bar{z}}}$  and  $\alpha_{\bar{z}} < v_{\bar{z}} \leq \delta_{\bar{z}}$ ; and  $\sigma_{\bar{z}} = \sigma_{\bar{z}\alpha}: Q_{\bar{z}} \xrightarrow{\Sigma_0} Q_{\bar{z}}^*$  cofinally, where  $\sigma_{\bar{z}\alpha}: P_{\bar{z}} \xrightarrow{\Sigma_0} P = P_{\alpha}$ . We now get:

Sublemma 1.2. There is a club  $C \subset \alpha$  s.t. for all  $\bar{z} \in C \cap S'$  we have:  $Q_{\bar{z}} = P_{\bar{z}}$  and  $Q_{\bar{z}}^* = P$  (hence  $\sigma_{\bar{z}} = \sigma_{\bar{z}\alpha}$  is cofinal and  $\sigma_{\bar{z}\beta}(\beta_{\bar{z}}) = \beta_{\beta}$ )

pf.

We first show that  $v_{\bar{z}} = \delta_{\bar{z}}$  for  $\bar{z} \in C \cap S'$ ,  $C \subset \alpha$  a club set.

Suppose not. Then  $v_{\bar{z}} < \delta_{\bar{z}}$

for  $\bar{\alpha} \in S'' \subset S'$ , where  $S''$  is stationary.

Then for  $\bar{\alpha} \in S''$  we have  $\nu_{\bar{\alpha}} = \sigma_{\bar{\alpha}}(\bar{\nu})$ ,  $\bar{\alpha} < \bar{\beta}$ .

It follows easily that there is a stat.  $S'''$  + fixed  $\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\nu}$  s.t.

$$\nu_{\bar{\alpha}} = \sigma_{\bar{\alpha}}(\bar{\nu}) \text{ for } \bar{\alpha} \in S''', \text{ Set:}$$

$$\nu^* = \sigma_{\bar{\alpha}}(\nu_{\bar{\alpha}}) = \sigma_{\bar{\alpha}}(\bar{\nu}) \text{ for}$$

$\bar{\alpha} \in S'''$ . Then we can get a counterexample to Lemma 3 with  $\nu^*$  in place of  $\delta > \nu^*$ , contradicting the minimality of  $\delta$ .

Thus  $\nu_{\bar{\alpha}} = \delta_{\bar{\alpha}}$  for  $\bar{\alpha} \in C \cap S'$ . But

$\nu_{\bar{\alpha}}$  is  $\omega$ -cofinal. It follows easily

that  $\sigma_{\bar{\alpha}}$  is cofinal into  $\delta$

for sufficiently large  $\bar{\alpha} < \delta$ ,

QED (Sublemma 1.2)

From now on assume w.l.o.g.

that  $Q_{\bar{\alpha}} = P_{\bar{\alpha}}$ ,  $Q_{\bar{\alpha}}^* = P$  for  $\bar{\alpha} \in S'$ .

We also set:  $Q = \text{rf } P$ .

We also note that we may assume w. l. o. g. that

$$(*) \quad E_{\kappa_{\bar{z}}}^{M_{\bar{z}}} = \emptyset \quad \text{for } \bar{z} \in S'.$$

To see this, note that otherwise we may replace  $M_{\bar{z}}$  by  $M'$

$$\text{where } k: M_{\bar{z}} \xrightarrow[E_{\kappa_{\bar{z}}}]^* M'. \quad \text{If}$$

$\langle f_m \mid m < \omega \rangle$  witnesses the non well foundedness of  $\mathbb{D}_{\sigma_{\bar{z}}}, M_{\bar{z}}$ ,

then  $k \circ f_m \in M'$  ( $m < \omega$ ) by standard methods (since  $\text{dom}(f_m) \leq \kappa_{\bar{z}}$  in  $M_{\bar{z}}$ ) and  $\langle k \circ f_m \mid m < \omega \rangle$

witnesses the non well foundedness of  $\mathbb{D}_{\sigma_{\bar{z}}}, M'_{\bar{z}}$ .

From now on assume (\*).

For  $\bar{z} \in S'$  let  $\langle g_i^{\bar{z}} \mid i < \omega \rangle$  be the sequence of Sublemma 1.1 (in particular, we suppose it to be defined as in the proof of Sublemma 1.1). We recall that the def. of  $\langle g_i^{\bar{z}} \rangle$  made use of a sequence  $\langle f_i^{\bar{z}} \rangle, \langle a_i^{\bar{z}} \rangle$  which witnessed the non-well foundedness of  $\mathbb{D}_{\bar{z}}$  - i.e.

$$\langle a_{i+1}^{\bar{z}} \mid f_{i+1}^{\bar{z}} \rangle \in \langle a_i^{\bar{z}} \mid f_i^{\bar{z}} \rangle \quad (i < \omega).$$

Let  $\bar{z}^*$  = the least  $\bar{z}^* > \bar{z}$  s.t.  $a_i^{\bar{z}} \in \text{rng}(\sigma_{\bar{z}^* \alpha})$  for all  $i < \omega$ .

Then if  $\bar{z}, \bar{z} \in S'$ ,  $\bar{z}^* \leq \bar{z}$ ,

then  $\sigma_{\bar{z} \bar{z}} : \mathbb{Q}_{\bar{z}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\bar{z}}$  has

no canonical extension w.r.t.  $M_{\bar{z}}$ . Define a club

$C \subset \alpha$  by:

$C =$  the set of limit pts  $\lambda$  of  $S'$  s.t.  $\bar{z}^* < \lambda$  for  $\bar{z} \in S \cap \lambda$ ,

Fix  $\lambda \in C \cap S'$ . We shall define a countable  $W \in \mathcal{Q}_\lambda$  and observe that  $W \in \text{rng}(\sigma_{\beta\lambda})$  for a  $\beta \in S' \cap \lambda$ , since  $\text{cf}(\lambda) > \omega$ . We then use this to derive a contradiction. We shall use the machinery developed in the proof of Sublemma 1.1 and shall also consider the same three cases.

Case 1  $\kappa_\lambda \leq \omega p_{M_\lambda}^m$  for all  $m < \omega$ ,

For each  $\Sigma^*$  formula  $\varphi = \varphi(\sigma_1^{d_1}, \dots, \sigma_m^{d_m})$  and each  $i_1, \dots, i_m < \omega$ , set:

$t_{\varphi, \vec{i}} =$  the set of  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_m \rangle$  s.t.

$x_h \in \text{dom}(g_h)$ ,  $g_h(x_h) \in H_{M_\lambda}^{d_h}$  ( $h=1, \dots, m$ )

and  $M_\lambda \models \varphi [g_{i_1}(x_1), \dots, g_{i_m}(x_m)]$ ,

where  $\langle g_h \rangle$  are the canonical maps developed in the proof of Sublemma 1.1.

Let  $W$  be the set of all  $t_{\varphi, i}$  and suppose that  $W \subset \text{rng}(\sigma_{\bar{3}, \lambda})$  for a fixed  $\bar{3} \in S \cap \lambda$ .

Set:  $d_i = \text{dom}(g_i)$

$$e_{i,i} = \{ \langle x, y \rangle \mid g_i(x) \in g_i(y) \}$$

$$I_{i,i} = \{ \quad \mid \quad = \quad \}$$

$$E_i = \{ x \mid g_i(x) \in E \}, \quad F_i = \{ x \mid g_i(x) \in F \}$$

where  $M_\lambda = \langle \bigcup_{\beta} E, F \rangle$ . Then

$d_i, e_{i,i}, I_{i,i}, E_i, F_i \in \text{rng}(\sigma_{\bar{3}, \lambda})$ ,

Set:  $\tilde{D} = \{ \langle i, x \rangle \mid x \in d_i \}$  and

define  $\tilde{e}, \tilde{I}, \tilde{E}, \tilde{F}$  on  $\tilde{D}$  by:

$$\langle i, x \rangle \tilde{e} \langle i, y \rangle \text{ iff } \langle x, y \rangle \in e_{i,i}$$

(sim. for  $\tilde{I}, \tilde{E}, \tilde{F}$ ). Set:

$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = \langle \tilde{D}, \tilde{e}, \tilde{I}, \tilde{E}, \tilde{F} \rangle.$$

Then  $k: \tilde{\mathbb{D}} \xrightarrow{\sim} M_\lambda$  where  $k(\langle i, x \rangle) = g_i(x)$

Moreover, if we interpret  $\sigma^m$  as

ranging over  $\tilde{H}_m = \{ \langle i, x \rangle \mid g_i(x) \in H_m^{M_\lambda} \}$

in  $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ , we have  $k: \tilde{\mathbb{D}} \xrightarrow{\Sigma^*} M_\lambda$ .

Now let  $\sigma_{\exists \lambda}(\bar{d}_i, \bar{e}_{ij}, \bar{E}_i, \bar{F}_i) =$   
 $= d_i, e_{ij}, E_i, F_i$  and define:

$$\bar{\mathbb{D}} = \langle \bar{D}, \bar{e}, \bar{I}, \bar{E}, \bar{F} \rangle$$

from  $d_i, e_{ij}, E_i, F_i$  as  $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$  was  
 defined from  $d_i, e_{ij}, E_i, F_i$ . Define  
 a pre-order satisfaction relation  
 on  $\bar{\mathbb{D}}$  by:

$$\Vdash \varphi[\langle i_1, x_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle i_m, x_m \rangle] \text{ in } \bar{\mathbb{D}}$$

$$\text{iff } \langle x_1, \dots, x_m \rangle \in \bar{t}_{\varphi, i}^{\bar{\mathbb{D}}}$$

$$\text{where } \sigma_{\exists \lambda}(\bar{t}_{\varphi, i}^{\bar{\mathbb{D}}}) = t_{\varphi, i}^{\bar{d}}$$

Using  $\sigma_{\exists \lambda}: \mathbb{Q}_{\exists} \rightarrow \sum_{\lambda} \mathbb{Q}_{\lambda}$  cofinally,  
 it is easily seen that for in.

$$\Vdash (\forall i \varphi)[\bar{z}] \iff$$

$$\iff \forall x \in \bar{H}_i \Vdash \varphi[x, \bar{z}],$$

where  $\bar{H}_i = \sigma_{\exists \lambda}^{-1} \bar{H}_i$ . It follows



easily that  $\sigma_{\{3\}\lambda} : \bar{\mathbb{D}} \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} \tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ ,  
 letting  $\psi^m$  range over  $\bar{H}_m, \tilde{H}_m$  resp.  
 in  $\bar{\mathbb{D}}, \tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ . [Note: We could in  
 fact show that  $\sigma_{\{3\}\lambda}$  is  $\Sigma_2^{(m)}$  pre-  
 serving in this sense for  $m < \omega$ ].  
 But then  $\bar{\mathbb{D}}$  is well founded and  
 satisfies extensionality. Hence  
 there is  $\bar{k} : \bar{\mathbb{D}} \xrightarrow{\cong} \bar{N}$ , where  $\bar{N}$   
 is transitive. Set:  $\pi = \bar{k} \circ \sigma_{\{3\}\lambda}^{-1}$ .

Then  $\pi : \bar{N} \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} M_{\{3\}}$ , letting  
 $\psi^m$  range over  $H_m = \bar{k}^{-1} \tilde{H}_m = \pi^{-1} H_m$   
 in  $\bar{N}$ . Since  $g_{\{3i+2\}} = \text{id} \upharpoonright \tau_i \in \text{rng}(\sigma_{\{3\}\lambda})$ ,  
 and  $\nu_{\{3\}} = g_{\{3i\}}(0) \in \text{rng}(\pi)$  for some  $i$ ,  
 we have:  $\nu_{\{3\}} + 1 \in \bar{N}$  and  $\pi(\nu_{\{3\}}) = \nu_{\{3\}}$ ,  
 $\pi \upharpoonright \nu_{\{3\}} = \sigma_{\{3\}\lambda} \upharpoonright \nu_{\{3\}}$ . Hence  $\mathcal{Q}_{\{3\}} =$   
 $J_{\nu_{\{3\}}}^{\bar{E}}$ , where  $\bar{N} = \langle J_{\beta}^{\bar{E}}, \bar{F} \rangle$  and  
 $\pi \upharpoonright \mathcal{Q}_{\{3\}} = \sigma_{\{3\}\lambda}$ . Now let  $H_m = J_{\omega^m}^{\bar{E}}$   
 Exactly as in the proof of

Sublemma 1.1 Case 1, we get;

$$\rho^n = \rho_{\bar{N}}^n \quad (n < \omega), \text{ Hence}$$

$\pi: \bar{N} \rightarrow \sum^* M_\lambda$  and  $\bar{N}$  is a

mouse. Form  $\mathbb{D}_{\sigma_3}, \bar{N}$  in the usual way. Clearly there are  $\bar{f}_m \in$

$$\in \Gamma_{Q_3, \bar{N}} \text{ s.t. } \pi(\bar{f}_m) = f_m \text{ \&}$$

hence  $\langle a_{m+1}, a_m \rangle \in \sigma_3(\{\langle x, y \rangle \mid \bar{f}_{m+1}(x) \in \bar{f}_m(y)\})$

for  $n < \omega$ . Hence  $\mathbb{D}_{\sigma_3}, \bar{N}$  is not well founded &  $\sigma_3$  has no extension wrt.  $\bar{N}$ .

Now iterate  $\bar{N}, M_3$  to  $\bar{N}', M'$ .

The first point moved is  $\geq \kappa_3$ .

Hence, by a trivial argument,

$$\mathbb{D}_{\sigma_3}, \bar{N}' \text{ and } \mathbb{D}_{\sigma_3}, M' \text{ are}$$

well founded. But then  $\bar{N}'$  is not a proper initial segment of  $M'$  and  $M'$  is a simple iterate

of  $M_\lambda$ , since otherwise  $\bar{N} <_* M_\lambda$ ,  
 contradicting the  $<_*$ -minimality  
 of  $M_\lambda$ . But there is an iterate  
 $N'$  of  $M_\lambda$  and a map  $\pi' : \bar{N}' \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} N'$   
 s.t.  $\pi' \upharpoonright_{\bar{N} \cap N'} = \pi \upharpoonright_{M_\lambda \cap N'}$ . Hence  
 $\pi' \upharpoonright_{M_\lambda \cap N'} : M_\lambda \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} M''$  for some  
 initial segment  $M''$  of  $N'$ . Hence  
 $\mathbb{D}_{\bar{\sigma}_{\lambda}} \upharpoonright_{M_\lambda}$  is well founded,  
 contradicting the def. of  $C$ .  
 Contr! QED (Case 1)

Case 2  $\omega \rho'_{M_\lambda} < \nu_\lambda$ .

$W =$  the set of  $t_{\varphi, i}$  s.t.  $\varphi = \varphi(v_1, \dots, v_n)$   
 is a  $\Sigma_0$ -formula. Define  $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ ,  $k$  as  
 before. Then  $d_i, e_i, f_i, E_i, F_i \in$   
 $\in \text{rng}(\bar{\sigma}_{\lambda})$  + we can define  
 $\bar{\mathbb{D}}$  as before. As before we get:  
 $\bar{\sigma}_{\lambda} : \bar{\mathbb{D}} \rightarrow_{\Sigma_0} \tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ . But  $\bar{\sigma}_{\lambda} \in$

cofinal wrt.  $\bar{E}$ , since there are  
 arb. large  $\gamma < \nu_\lambda$  s.t.  $g(\bar{z}) = \bigcup_{\beta}^E$   
 $(M_\lambda = \langle \bigcup_{\beta}^E, F \rangle)$  for appropriate  $\bar{z}, i$ .

Hence  $\sigma_{\bar{z}\lambda} : \bar{\mathbb{D}} \xrightarrow{\Sigma_1} \bar{\mathbb{D}}$ , As before,

there is  $\bar{k} : \bar{\mathbb{D}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \bar{N}$ ,  $\bar{N}$  trans,

+ hence  $\pi : \bar{N} \xrightarrow{\Sigma_0} M_\lambda$  cofinally,

where  $\pi = \bar{k} \sigma_{\bar{z}\lambda} \bar{k}^{-1}$ , As before,

$Q \subseteq \bar{N}$ ,  $\pi \upharpoonright Q = \sigma_{\bar{z}\lambda}$ , and

$\pi(\nu_{\bar{z}}) = \nu_\lambda$ . As before,  $\mathbb{D}_{\sigma_{\bar{z}\lambda}, \bar{N}}$  is  
 not well founded. We can

then form the  $(*, 0)$ -iteration  
 of  $M_{\bar{z}}, \bar{N}$ , terminating in  $M', \bar{N}'$ .

Exactly as before,  $M'$  is a segment  
 of  $\bar{N}'$  + a simple iterate of  $M_{\bar{z}}$ ,  
 since otherwise  $\bar{N}' <_* M'$ . But this  
 yields a contradiction exactly  
 as before. QED (Case 2)

Case 3  $\omega_{M_\lambda}^{\rho^{m+1}} < \nu_\lambda \leq \omega_\lambda^{\rho^m}$  ( $m > 0$ )

Again let  $w$  be the set consisting of  $t_{\varphi, i}$  for  $\sum_0^{(m)}$  formulae  $\varphi = \varphi(\vec{v})$  and  $i \vec{v} < \omega$ . Define  $\tilde{\mathbb{D}}, \bar{\mathbb{D}}$  as before. Then  $\sigma_{\vec{z}, \lambda} \upharpoonright \bar{\mathbb{D}} : \bar{\mathbb{D}} \rightarrow \sum_0^{(m)} \tilde{\mathbb{D}}$ , interpreting  $\omega^h$  by the appropriate  $\bar{H}^h, \tilde{H}^h$  in  $\bar{\mathbb{D}}, \tilde{\mathbb{D}}$  resp. Again we get  $\bar{k} : \bar{\mathbb{D}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \bar{N}$ ,  $\bar{N}$  transitive, and define  $\pi = \bar{k} \sigma_{\vec{z}, \lambda}^{-1}$ . Then  $\pi : \bar{N} \rightarrow \sum_0^{(m)} M_\lambda$  cofinally, with  $\sigma^h$  ranging over  $H_h = \pi^{-1} \upharpoonright H_{M_\lambda}^h$  in  $\bar{N}$ . Again we have:  $\mathcal{Q} \subseteq \bar{N}$ ,  $\pi \upharpoonright \mathcal{Q} = \sigma_{\vec{z}, \lambda}$ ,  $\pi(\nu_{\vec{z}}) = \nu_\lambda$ . Letting  $H_h = J_{\rho^h}^{\bar{E}}$  ( $\bar{N} = \langle J_{\rho^h}^{\bar{E}}, \bar{F} \rangle$ ), we get  $\rho^m = \rho_{\bar{N}}^m$  by the methods of Sublemma 1.1 Case 3. We also get:  $\bar{N}$  is  $\nu_{\vec{z}}$ -clear and bounded to  $\nu_{\vec{z}}$ .

Hence  $\omega_{\bar{N}}^{m+1} \leq \beta_{\aleph_3} < \nu_{\aleph_3}$  and  $\bar{N}$  is iterable above  $\beta_{\aleph_3}$  by § 2.2 Lemma 2. We coiterate  $\bar{N}$ ,  $M_{\aleph_3}$  & derive a contradiction as before.

QED (Lemma 1)

We now improve Lemma 1 to Lemma 2. Let  $\langle Q_{\aleph_3} \rangle, \langle M_{\aleph_3} \rangle$  etc be as in Lemma 1. There is a club  $C \subset \alpha$  s.t. for all  $\beta \in C \cap S$  we have:

(a) The canonical extension  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\aleph_3} : M_{\aleph_3} \rightarrow M_{\aleph_3}^*$  of  $\sigma_{\aleph_3}$  w.t.  $M_{\aleph_3}$  exists.

(b)  $M_{\aleph_3}^*$  is iterable above  $\nu_{\aleph_3}^*$ .

The proof is virtually the same, since we have developed a small amount of additional machinery. Hence we first develop this

machinery and then briefly sketch the modifications to be made.

Suppose we are given a premouse  $M$  and an iteration  $\langle M_i \mid i < \theta \rangle$  with indices  $\langle \nu_i, \alpha_i \rangle$  and maps  $\pi_{i,j}$ .

Now let  $\sigma : \bar{M} \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} M$ . There is

a canonical way of trying to "mirror" the iteration of

$M$  by an iteration  $\langle \bar{M}_i \rangle$  of

$\bar{M}$  with indices  $\langle \bar{\nu}_i, \bar{\alpha}_i \rangle$  and

maps  $\bar{\pi}_{i,j}$ , simultaneously producing embeddings

$$\sigma_i : \bar{M}_i \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} M_i \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \sigma_i \bar{\pi}_{hi} = \pi_{hi} \sigma_h.$$

The definitions are as follows:

$\sigma_0 = \sigma$ . Now let  $\bar{M}_i, \sigma_i$  be

defined. We attempt to

define  $\bar{\nu}_i, \bar{\alpha}_i$  by:

$$\bar{\nu}_i \approx \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } E_{\nu_i}^{M_i} = \emptyset \\ \sigma_i^{-1}(\kappa_i) + \bar{M}_i & \text{if not} \end{cases}$$

$$\omega \bar{\alpha}_i \approx \begin{cases} \omega \alpha_i \cap \bar{M}_i & \text{if } \omega \alpha_i = \omega \alpha_i \cap M_i \\ \sigma_i^{-1}(\omega \alpha_i) & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

This defines  $\bar{M}_{i+1}$ ,  $\bar{\pi}_{i,i+1}$  and

we define  $\bar{\sigma}_{i+1}$  by:

$$\bar{\sigma}_{i+1} = \sigma_i \upharpoonright \bar{M}_{i+1} \quad \text{if } E_{\nu_i}^{M_i} = \emptyset ;$$

otherwise;

$$\bar{\sigma}_{i+1}(\bar{\pi}_{i,i+1}(f|(\bar{\alpha}_i))) = \pi_{i,i+1} \sigma_i(f|(\alpha_i))$$

for  $f \in \Gamma(\bar{\alpha}_i, \bar{M}_i | \bar{\alpha}_i)$ .

For limit  $\lambda$  define  $\bar{\sigma}_\lambda$  by:

$$\bar{\sigma}_\lambda \bar{\pi}_{i,\lambda} = \pi_{i,\lambda} \sigma_i.$$

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It is clear that this definition can break down only at successor stages. We now



formulate a condition which is sufficient to prevent breakdown.

Def Let  $M, \langle M_i \mid i < \theta \rangle$  etc. be as above. We assign to each  $x \in M_i$  an element  $u_i(x)$  of  $M$  s.t.  $\pi_{h_i}(\bar{x}) = x \rightarrow u_i(x) = u_h(\bar{x})$ . We define  $u_i$  by induction on  $i$  as follows:

$$u_0(x) = x, \quad \text{for } x \in M.$$

$$u_{i+1}(x) = u_i(\bar{x}) \quad \text{if } \pi_{i, i+1}(\bar{x}) = x.$$

If there is no such  $\bar{x}$ , let  $x = \pi_{i, i+1}(f)(\kappa_i)$ , where  $f \in \Gamma(\kappa_i, M_i)$ . Pick  $p$  s.t. either  $f = p \in M_i$  or else  $f$  is a good  $\sum_1^{<\omega^i>} (M_i, \text{id}_i)$  function in  $p$  (by a functionally abs. def.) for  $n$  s.t.  $\kappa_i < \omega p_{M_i, \text{id}_i}^{n+1}$ .

Set:  $u_{i+1}(x) = u_i(p)$ .

For limit  $\lambda < \theta$  set  $u_\lambda(x) = u_i(\bar{x})$   
for  $i < \lambda$  set,  $\pi_{i\lambda}(\bar{x}) = x$ .

This completes the definition.

Sublemma 2.0 Let  $M, \langle M_i \rangle, \bar{M}, \sigma$   
etc. be as above. Assume:

(a)  $u_i(\kappa_i) \in \text{rng}(\sigma)$  for  $E_{\kappa_i}^{M_i} \neq \emptyset$

(b)  $u_i(\omega \alpha_i) \in \text{rng}(\sigma)$  for  $\omega \alpha_i \in M_i$ .

Then  $\bar{M}_i, \sigma_i$  are defined for  
 $i < \theta$ . Moreover:

$u_i(x) \in \text{rng}(\sigma) \rightarrow x \in \text{rng}(\sigma_i)$   
for  $x \in M_i, i < \theta$ .

Proof. Induction on  $i$ .

The details are left to the  
reader.

Note that the construction of the "mirror" iteration  $\langle \bar{M}_i \rangle$  & the maps  $\sigma_i$  goes thru under somewhat weaker assumptions than  $\sigma: \bar{M} \rightarrow M$ ,  $\Sigma^*$ . We can replace this by:

(\*)  $\sigma: \bar{M} \rightarrow M$  and  $\bar{v} \in \bar{M}$  s.t.,

(a)  $\sigma(\bar{v}) = v$ .

(b)  $\bar{v} < \omega \rho_{\bar{M}}^m$  iff  $v < \omega \rho_M^m$  ( $m < \omega$ )

(c)  $\sigma: \bar{M} \rightarrow \sum_1^{(m)} M$  whenever  $v < \omega \rho_M^m$ .

$\bar{M}_i, \sigma_i$  are then defined as before, with  $\sigma_i: \bar{M}_i \rightarrow \sum_1^{(m)} M_i$  whenever  $v < \omega \rho_M^m$ . (This is just as in

§ 2.2 Lemma 2). Sublemma 2.0 continues to hold.

Now suppose Lemma 2 to be false & let  $\langle Q_\beta \mid \beta \in S \rangle, \langle M_\beta \mid \beta \in S \rangle$ , etc. be a counterexample. Let  $\delta$  be chosen minimally, as before

By Lemma 1 we may suppose w.l.o.g. that  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{z}} : Q_{\mathfrak{z}} \rightarrow Q_{\mathfrak{z}}^*$  has a canonical extension  $\sigma_{\mathfrak{z}}^* : M_{\mathfrak{z}} \rightarrow M_{\mathfrak{z}}^*$  w.r.t.  $M_{\mathfrak{z}}$  for  $\mathfrak{z} \in S$ . Let  $S' \subset S$  be stationary s.t.  $M_{\mathfrak{z}}^*$  is not iterable above  $\nu_{\mathfrak{z}}^*$  for  $\mathfrak{z} \in S'$ .

We let  $\nu_{\mathfrak{z}}$  be chosen minimally for  $M_{\mathfrak{z}}$  with this property and  $M_{\mathfrak{z}}$  be  $<_*$ -minimal for this property at  $\nu_{\mathfrak{z}}$ . As before:

Sublemma 2.1 Let  $\mathfrak{z} \in S'$ . Let  $Z \subset M_{\mathfrak{z}}$  be countable. There is a sequence  $\langle f_i \in \Pi_{\mathfrak{z}} = \Pi_{Q_{\mathfrak{z}}, M_{\mathfrak{z}}} \mid i < \omega \rangle$  s.t.

(a)  $Z \subset X$

(b)  $\nu_{\mathfrak{z}} + 1 \subset X$

(c) There is  $\pi : N \xrightarrow{\cong} \langle X, \in, E \cap X, F \cap X \rangle$  s.t.  $N$  is a mouse and  $\pi : N \xrightarrow{\Sigma^*} M_{\mathfrak{z}}$  (where  $M_{\mathfrak{z}} = \langle J_{\beta}^E, F \rangle$ ).

The proof is a straightforward modification of that of Sublemma 1.1. An place of

The sequence  $\langle a_i, f_i \rangle$  which formed a counterexample to well foundedness of  $\mathbb{D}_3$ , we use a sequence  $\alpha_i = \sigma_3^*(f_i)(a_i)$  which witnesses - in a manner still to be specified - the non iterability of  $M_3^*$ ,

$\langle \alpha_i \mid i < \omega \rangle$  is the enumeration of a countable set  $R \subset M_3^*$  which is defined as follows:

Let  $\langle \tilde{M}_i \mid i < \theta \rangle$  be iteration of  $M_3^*$  above  $\nu_3^*$  which cannot be continued. Let  $\langle \tilde{\nu}_i, \tilde{\alpha}_i \rangle$  be the indices of this iteration +  $\tilde{\pi}_i$  the maps.

Case 1  $\theta = \delta + 1$

Then there is  $\omega \tilde{\alpha} \leq \theta \wedge \tilde{M}$  and  $\tilde{\nu} = \tilde{\nu} + \tilde{M}$  with  $\tilde{E} = E_{\tilde{\nu}}^{\tilde{M}} \neq \emptyset$  s.t.  $\tilde{M}$  is not  $\ast$ -extendable by  $\tilde{E}$ .

In particular there are  $g_i \in \Gamma(\tilde{\kappa}_i, \tilde{M})$   
 s.t.  $\{\beta \mid g_{i+1}(\beta) \in g_i(\beta)\} \in \tilde{E}$  for  
 $i < \omega$ . Pick  $p_i \in \tilde{M}$  s.t.  
 either  $p_i = g_i \in \tilde{M}$  or else  $p_i$  is  
 a good  $\sum_1^{(\omega)}$  ( $\tilde{M}$ ) map in  $P_i$   
 (by a func. abs. def.)  $\wedge$  Set:  
 $\tilde{d} = \tilde{d}_y, \tilde{V} = \tilde{V}_y, \tilde{\kappa} = \tilde{\kappa}_y$ .

Let  $R =$  the set containing:  
 (a)  $u_i(\tilde{\kappa}_i)$  for  $i \leq \gamma$  s.t.  $E_{\tilde{\kappa}_i}^{\tilde{M}_i} \neq \emptyset$   
 (b)  $u_i(\omega \tilde{\alpha}_i)$  for  $i \leq \gamma$  s.t.  $\omega \tilde{\alpha}_i \in \tilde{M}_i$   
 (c)  $u_\gamma(p_i) \quad (i < \omega)$

Case 2  $\text{fin}(\theta)$ .

Then there is a monotone sequence  
 $\langle i_m \mid m < \omega \rangle$  and  $x_m \in \tilde{M}_{i_m}$  s.t.  
 $x_{m+1} \in \pi_{i_m, i_{m+1}}(x_m)$  for  $m < \omega$ .

Let  $R =$  the set containing  
 (a)  $u_i(\tilde{\kappa}_i)$  for  $i < \theta$  s.t.  $E_{\tilde{\kappa}_i}^{\tilde{M}_i} \neq \emptyset$   
 (b)  $u_i(\omega \tilde{\alpha}_i)$  " " s.t.  $\omega \tilde{\alpha}_i \in \tilde{M}_i$   
 (c)  $u_{i_m}(x_m) \quad (m < \omega)$ .

This gives us  $r_i = \sigma_3^*(f_i)(a_i)$  ( $i < \omega$ ).

We again pick  $p_i \in M_3$  s.t. either  $p_i = f_i \in M_3$  or  $f_i$  is a good  $\Sigma_1^{(m)}(M_3)$  in  $p_i$  (by a func. abstr. def.) where  $\nu_3 \leq \omega_{M_3}^{m+1}$ . We make the previous

assumptions on  $Z$  (in particular

$\alpha_3, \nu_3, P_{M_3}, P_i \in Z$  ( $i < \omega$ ) and

construct the fans  $g_i$  ( $i < \omega$ )

exactly as before, using the same three cases.

We then repeat the proof of Lemma 1.1, replacing non-well foundedness by non-iterability in a rather mechanical way. We exemplify this by sketching the changes to be made in Case 1.

We form  $X = \bigcup_i \text{rng}(g_i)$

and  $\tilde{X} = \langle X, \in, E \cap X, F \cap X \rangle$

$(M = \langle j_{\beta}^E, F \rangle)$  as before and  
 form  $\pi : N \xrightarrow{\sim} X$  as before.  
 Exactly as before we prove that  
 $\pi : N \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} X$  + hence that  $N$  is  
 a mouse. We again set:

$$\bar{V} = X \cap V_3 = \bigcup_i \text{dom}(g_i) = \bigcup_i \bar{\sigma}_i$$

As before:

$$(1) \pi \upharpoonright \bar{V} = \text{id} ; \pi(\bar{V}) = V.$$

We wish to show:  $\bar{V} = V$ .

$$\text{Set: } \bar{Q} = J_{\bar{V}}^A ; \bar{V}^* = \text{sup } \sigma_3 \upharpoonright \bar{V},$$

$$\bar{Q}^* = J_{\bar{V}^*}^A ; \bar{\sigma}_3 = \sigma_3 \upharpoonright \bar{Q}. \quad \text{Then:}$$

$$(2) \bar{\sigma} : \bar{Q} \rightarrow_{\Sigma_0} \bar{Q}^* \text{ cofinally and}$$

$$\bar{V} \text{ is regular in } N, \bar{Q} = J_{\bar{V}}^{EN}$$

$$\text{But } \sigma_3^* \pi : N \rightarrow_{\Sigma^*} M_3^* \text{ and}$$

$$\sigma_3^* \pi \upharpoonright \bar{Q} = \bar{\sigma}_3, \text{ Hence by the}$$

interpolation lemma  $\bar{\sigma}_3$  has a

canonical extension  $\bar{\sigma}^* : N \rightarrow N^*$

w.t.  $N$ . Moreover there is



$$\pi^* : N^* \xrightarrow{\Sigma^*} M^* \text{ s.t. } \pi^* \bar{\sigma}^* = \sigma_3^* \pi^*$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N^* & \xrightarrow{\pi^*} & M_3^* \\ \bar{\sigma}^* \uparrow & & \uparrow \sigma_3^* \\ N & \xrightarrow{\quad} & M_3 \end{array}$$

But by our construction:

$$\bar{\alpha}_i = \bar{\sigma}^*(f_i)(a_i) \in N^* \quad (i < \omega)$$

where  $\pi^*(\bar{\alpha}_i) = \alpha_i$ . Hence

there is an iteration  $\langle \tilde{N}_i \mid i < \theta \rangle$

$$\text{of } N^* \text{ + } \sigma_i : \tilde{N}_i \xrightarrow{\Sigma^*} \tilde{M}_i \text{ as}$$

given by Sublemma 1.0. But,

using Sublemma 1.0, our construction ensures that  $\langle \tilde{N}_i \rangle$

cannot be continued. Hence

$N^*$  is not iterable above  $\bar{V}^*$ .

Hence  $\bar{V} = \nu_3$  by the minimality

of  $\nu_3$ . QED (Case 1)

The other cases are similar but require

QED (Sublemma 2.1)

We again have:  $\text{cf}(\nu_{\bar{z}}) = \omega$  for  $\bar{z} \in S'$ .  
 Arguing exactly as before:

Sublemma 2.2 There is a cut  $C \subset d$   
 s.t. for all  $\bar{z} \in C \cap S'$  we have  
 $Q_{\bar{z}} = P_{\bar{z}}$  and  $Q_{\bar{z}}^* = P$  (hence  
 $\sigma_{\bar{z}} = \sigma_{\bar{z} \alpha}$  is cofinal).

From now on assume w.l.o.g.,

$$Q_{\bar{z}} = P_{\bar{z}}, \quad Q_{\bar{z}}^* = Q = P \quad \text{for } \bar{z} \in S'$$

Without loss of generality we  
 also assume:

$$(**) \quad E_{\nu_{\bar{z}}}^{M_{\bar{z}}} = \emptyset \quad \text{for } \bar{z} \in S'$$

To see this, note that we may  
 replace  $M_{\bar{z}}$  by  $M'$  where

$$k: M_{\bar{z}} \xrightarrow[E_{\nu_{\bar{z}}}]^* M', \quad \text{let } \sigma'^*: M' \rightarrow M'^*$$

be the canonical extension of  $\sigma_{\bar{z}}$   
 w.t.  $M'^*$ . Define  $k^*: M_{\bar{z}}^* \rightarrow M'^*$

$$\text{by: } k^*(\tilde{\sigma}_{\bar{z}}(f)(a)) = \sigma'^*(k \circ f)(a).$$

Then  $k^* \tilde{\sigma}_{\bar{z}} = \sigma'^* k$ . It is straight-

forward (e.g. by the remark after §2.3 Cor 2.2) to

$$\text{prove that } k^* : M_{\zeta}^* \xrightarrow{E_{\zeta^*}} M'^*,$$

But then the non iterability of  $M_{\zeta}^*$  above  $\nu_{\zeta}^*$  implies the non iterability of  $M'^*$  above  $k^*(\nu_{\zeta}^*)$ .

For  $\zeta \in S'$  let  $\langle f_i^{\zeta} \mid i < \omega \rangle, \langle a_i^{\zeta} \mid i < \omega \rangle$  be the sequences witnessing the non iterability of  $M_{\zeta}^*$  ( $r_i^{\zeta} = \bar{\sigma}_{\zeta}^{\zeta}(f_i^{\zeta} \mid a_i^{\zeta})$ )

Let  $\zeta^* =$  the least  $\zeta^* > \zeta$  s.t.  $a_i^{\zeta} \in \text{rng}(\bar{\sigma}_{\zeta^*}^{\zeta, \alpha})$  for all  $i < \omega$ .

If  $\zeta, \zeta \in S', \zeta^* \leq \zeta$ , then

the canonical extension of  $\bar{\sigma}_{\zeta \zeta} : Q_{\zeta} \rightarrow Q_{\zeta}$  wrt  $M_{\zeta}$  is not iterable above  $\nu_{\zeta}$ , as can be seen using Sublemma 2.0. Define a club  $C \subset \alpha$  by:

$C =$  the set of limit pts of  $S'$   
 s.t.  $\bar{\alpha}^* < \lambda$  for  $\bar{\alpha} \in S' \cap \lambda$ .

Fix  $\lambda \in C \cap S'$ . We define a countable  $W \subset Q_\lambda$  exactly as in the proof of Lemma 1 and pick  $\bar{\alpha} \in S' \cap \lambda$  s.t.  $W \subset \text{rng}(\sigma_{\bar{\alpha}\lambda})$ . We derive a contradiction exactly as before.

QED (Lemma 2)

This proof shows more than we claimed. Recalling our justification of the assumption (\*\*), we have:

Corollary 3 There is a club  $C \subset \alpha$  s.t. for  $\bar{\alpha} \in C \cap S$  we have (a), (b) and:  
 (c)  $M_{\bar{\alpha}}^*$  is iterable above  $\beta = \beta_\alpha$ .

Henceforth we refer to the conjunction of Lemmas 1, 2, 3 as the "frequent extension lemma".